

WILD NEWS

What's Happening at Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge

JANUARY

Junior Frosty Photo Tour

Sunday, January 8, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Junior shutterbugs, grab your camera and an adult as we scout for “cool” photos of wildlife and frosty winter landscapes. For families with kids 7 to 12 years of age.

Friends of a Feather

Sunday, January 15, 8:00 – 11:00 am

It's a birding bonanza on this vehicle expedition as we seek out the feathered winter dwellers along rolling and changing landscapes. Binoculars recommended.

Winter Raptor Photo Tour

Friday, January 20, 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Do you enjoy watching these majestic birds of prey? Get your cameras ready and join us as we go in search of migrating raptors that make the Refuge their winter home. Recommended for adults at any photography level.

Eyes on Eagles

Saturday, January 21 & Sunday January 22, 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Unique to North America, the bald eagle is one of the most recognizable aerial predators. Put your eyes on the sky and look for these magnificent winter visitors.

Refuge Winter Wonders Photo Tour

Sunday, January 29, 8:00 – 11:00 am

Travel through prairie and wetland habitats and discover their bountiful beauty. Grab your camera and get ready to photograph the wonders that the Refuge has to offer. Recommended for adults at any photography level.

Winter Wildlife Tour

Tuesday, January 31, 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Scarves, mittens, and jackets keep us warm on cold days, but how do animals fend off the chill? Join us for a tour and learn how Refuge wildlife adapts to old man winter.

FEBRUARY

Family Fun Day

Saturday, February 4, 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Migration, winter coats, and snoozing are just some of the ways animals adjust to the cold, blustery winter. Join us for a fun-filled tour about winter adaptations followed by a craft.

Friends of a Feather

Thursday, February 9, 8:00 – 11:00 am

See January 15 description.

I Spy

Saturday, February 11, 2:00 – 3:00 pm

Eyes on the front, I hunt; eyes on the side, I hide. Use your detective skills to examine skulls, feathers, teeth, and bones to learn all about animal behavior and adaptations.

Sky Tigers

Saturday, February 18, 3:00 – 5:00 pm

The largest owl in North America, the great horned owl, is one of the first to nest on the Refuge. Enjoy a short presentation then tour in search of these silent hunters.

Refuge Winter Wonders Photo Tour

Sunday, February 19 & Tuesday, February 28, 8:00 – 11:00 am

See January 29 description.

Winter Wildlife Tour

Thursday, February 23, 1:00 – 3:00 pm

See January 31 description.

Brownie Try-It Workshop

Saturday, February 25, 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Calling all Brownies! Earn your Animals and Watching Wildlife Try-It badges. Discover how to walk and “talk” like Refuge animals, how animals build their homes, and what they eat.

Reservations are required for these **FREE** programs. Call 303—289—0930. Please dress for weather.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Assistance dogs are welcome. Refuge staff reserves the right to cancel or reschedule programs due to unforeseen circumstances and any programs with less than 10 participants.

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WILD RIDES

Wednesdays & Saturdays 9:30 – 11:30 am


Sundays 1:00 – 3:00 pm


Experience the sights and sounds of the Refuge on a two-hour, guided, family-friendly wildlife viewing tour.

Groups of up to 20 are welcome to join this program. Binoculars and cameras are recommended.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

 Looking for a special gift, wildlife guide, or children's nature activities? Visit **Nature's Nest Books & Gifts** located in the Refuge Visitor Center.

 Enjoy snowshoeing and cross country skiing throughout the winter on our 9 miles of hiking trails.

TUESDAY TOTS

2:00 – 3:00 pm

This one-hour program is designed for parents and toddlers to interact together and learn about nature.

Children ages 3 to 6 are welcome and must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian at all times. Limit 3 children per parent and reservations are required.

Wildlife Everywhere

Tuesday, January 3

Wild animals may be closer than you think. Learn why it's important to let wild animals stay wild and steps to keep our pets safe.

Wild Valentines

Tuesday, February 7

Will you be a "wild" valentine? Learn all about the wooing behavior animals do in order to find a mate. Bring home a special Valentine's Day craft.

SUNDAY MATINEES

1:30 pm

Experience the big screen in the Visitor Center's state-of-the-art auditorium on your Sunday afternoon watching one of these wildlife features. Families welcome. It's free and no reservations are required.

Finding Nemo

Sunday, January 8 & February 5

When Nemo, a young clownfish, is unexpectedly carried far from home, his overprotective father, Marlin, and friend Dory, embark on an epic journey to find Nemo.

Eyewitness Insect

Sunday, January 15 & February 12

Zoom in on a world of creatures that are industrious, sociable, and environmentally useful, but are many times avoided and ignored. Examine the wonders of the insect through macrophotography and 3-D graphics.

Fern Gully

Sunday, January 22 & February 19

Join a spectacular rainforest adventure where the radar-impaired Batty and his magical friends Crysta, Pips, and the Beetle Boys try to save their special world.

National Geographic's American Serengeti

Sunday, January 29 & February 26

Witness an American history conservation project that is creating a thriving three million acre wildlife reserve that will restore "America's Serengeti."

Refuge Hours and Address

Winter Hours: Tuesdays – Sundays 7:00 am – 5:00 pm
6550 Gateway Road, Commerce City, 80022

Visitor Center Hours

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The Refuge is closed on Mondays and all federal holidays.

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